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# ARMS AND AMMUNITION

## Firearm Certificates and Permits (Appeals)

RULES, DATED 14TH FEBRUARY 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1926, AND SECTIONS 29 AND 31 OF THE FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1968.

I, Captain the Right Honourable William Joseph Long, Minister of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 2 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1926(**a**) and by sections 29 and 31 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1968(**b**), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, hereby make the following Rules:—

*Citation and Commencement*

**1.** These Rules may be cited as the Firearms Acts (Northern Ireland) 1920 to 1968 (Appeals) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1969.

*Appeals*

**2.** Any person aggrieved by a decision of a County Inspector of the Royal Ulster Constabulary in regard to—

(*a*) the grant, variation, renewal or revocation of a firearm certificate or firearm permit;

(*b*) the conditions imposed on a firearm certificate or firearm permit or the variation of such conditions;

(*c*) the refusal to register a firearms dealer or the removal of his name from the register, or the imposition or variation of, or refusal to vary or revoke any condition imposed under such registration;

(*d*) the refusal to register a place of business for the carrying on thereat of the business of firearms dealer, or the removal of a place of business from the register of firearms dealers; or

(*e*) the destruction or disposal of any firearm, prohibited weapon or ammunition;

may appeal against such decision by giving notice to the Minister of Home Affairs on the form provided for this purpose within one month of receiving notification of the decision of the County Inspector or within such further period as the Minister may in special circumstances allow.

*Removal of Prohibition from Possession of Firearms*

**3.** A person prohibited under section 22 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1968(**b**) from purchasing or having in his possession a firearm or ammunition because of previous conviction of crime may apply for the removal of the prohibition by giving notice to the Minister of Home Affairs on the form provided for this purpose.

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(a) 16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. 17 (N.I.). (b) 1968. c. 27 (N.I.).